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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a small business owner and have been a customer of Sonic for the last 8 years.

I value their business, their integrity of their customer support the quality of their service. I am Grateful I had choice and was not stuck with either AT&T or Comcast. The platform of a free and competitive market guards against monopolies, which will translate into unchecked higher prices for basic telephone and internet services that are critical to my business operation. Without these basic services I could not run my business. Without market-choice for ISP processes I would not have a business and in turn my customers would not be able to operate their businesses.

Thank you

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